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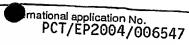
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1. claims: 1-7

The first invention solves the problem of combining an array for processing data with a sequential processor. The special technical feature of the first invention is the coupling of the array to the instruction pipeline of the sequential processor.

2. claims: 8-9

The second invention solves the problem of enhancing the memory access of an array for processing data. The special technical feature of the second invention is the duplication of input data.

3. claims: 10-11

The third invention solves the problem of multi-tasking and simultaneous multithreading in an array of data processing elements. The special technical feature of the third invention are processing elements which are reconfigurable at runtime and which are affected by a plurality of configurations, wherein the amount of time allowed for one configuration is limited.

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